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Docket No. 5088

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the patent application of Maier et al.

Serial No. 09/926821

Filing date: December 26, 2001

Title: A Solid Formulation of Glucosamine Sulphate

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Attn: Rafael Bacares

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a)

Sir:

One of the two inventors (Parekh) has failed to sign the declaration for this application. We therefore request that examination of the application be allowed to go forward without his signature, based on the enclosed declaration signed by the other inventor (Maier) on his own behalf and on behalf of inventor Parekh.

Mr. Parekh's last known address is Alte Steinacherstrasse 10
8804 Au
Switzerland.

Our initial petition was denied without prejudice on April 18, 2003, on the ground that there was not sufficient factual proof that Mr. Parekh refused to sign the required documents. We are now submitting additional information, which includes a further declaration concerning a letter dated October 2, 2002 from René Wenger, addressed to Mr. Harish Parekh at his home address shown above.

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papers (specification, including claims, drawings and oath or declaration) on-signing inventor", e.g., by sending it to his "last known address". MPEP 3(d) also states "When it is concluded by the 37 CFR 1.47 applicant that a signing inventor's conduct constitutes a refusal, all facts upon which that conclusion is based should be stated in an affidavit or declaration." We respectfully submit that these requirements have been met, and that it would be appropriate to grant the relief requested.

Please charge the petition fee due under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) to Deposit Account 09-2110. A petition for extension of time (with a check for the fee) is also enclosed.

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